

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the cited specification paragraphs as follows:

[19] Receptacle member 62 includes the welch plug 40 and a cylindrical member 72 which contains the internal splines ~~56B extending from an inner peripheral bore 52~~. The internal splines 56B provide sliding engagement with splined segment 56A (Figure 3) of the male component 32. The female component 34 provides a grease aperture 138 to receive the grease fitting 38. A seal 42 (Figures 2 and 5) prevents debris and the like from entering into the female component 34 as the male component 32 slides relative thereto.

[20] The beveled edge ~~66 56~~ on the reconfigurable portion 36 abuts a corresponding outer surface 68 on the yoke 60. Similarly, the beveled edge 67 abuts a stop 70 on the receptacle portion 62. Further, as can be appreciated from Figures 2 and 5, the seal 42 seals against an outer peripheral surface of the stem portion 54 of the ~~male~~ component 32. As can be appreciated from Figures 2 and 5, the seal also abuts the yoke ~~50 100~~ at the end of the ~~male~~ component 32.